

STATE OF DELAWARE **DEPARTMENT OF STATE**

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DIVISION OF PROFESSIONAL REGULATION

PUBLIC MEETING NOTICE: BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL LAND SURVEYORS

DATE AND TIME: Thursday, May 20, 2010 at 8:30 a.m.

PLACE: 861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Dover, Delaware

Conference Room A, second floor of the Cannon Building

APPROVED: August 24, 2010

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DIVISION OF PROFESSIONAL REGULATION

PUBLIC MEETING NOTICE: BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL LAND SURVEYORS

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APPROVED: August 24, 2010

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